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## U.S. NAVY BAND & SPECIALTY UNITS 2001 SUMMER CONCERT SCHEDULE WASHINGTON, D.C.

### U.S. CAPITOL (West Steps)

### NAVY MEMORIAL 701 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.

### SYLVAN THEATRE Washington Monument grounds 15th St. & Independence Ave., S.W.

Mondays, June 4 – August 27 at 8 p.m.

Tuesdays, June 5 – August 28 at 8 p.m.

Thursdays, June 7 – August 30 at 8 p.m.

#### July

2, No concert  
9, Commodores  
16, Commodores  
23, Navy Band  
30, Cruisers

#### August

6, Navy Band  
13, Sea Chanters  
20, Navy Band  
27, Navy Band

#### July

3, Commodores  
10, Commodores  
17, Commodores  
24, Navy Band & specialty groups  
31, Navy Band & specialty groups

#### August

7, U.S. Coast Guard Band  
14, Navy Band & specialty groups  
21, Navy Band & specialty groups  
28, Navy Band & specialty groups

#### July

5, No concert  
12, Commodores  
19, Commodores  
26, Navy Band

#### August

2, Sea Chanters  
9, Cruisers  
16, Sea Chanters  
23, Commodores  
30, Country Current

## SPECIAL CONCERTS

**Independence Day Celebration, Sylvan Theatre, Wednesday, July 4 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Labor Day Concert, Navy Memorial, Monday, September 3 at 8 p.m.**

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## NAVY BAND IS THERE TO HONOR VETERANS

On June 6, the 57th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Normandy, the Navy Band and “Sea Chanters” chorus participated in the dedication of the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford, Va., a small town

*Common Man.*

Across the Pacific the Sea Chanters were in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on May 21 to salute our veterans as they played an integral part in the premiere of Disney’s new summer blockbuster, *Pearl Harbor*.



President Bush joins several dignitaries in a solemn salute as MUC Paul E. Johnson plays Taps during the dedication ceremony for the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford, Va.

that lost more than any other in America. President George W. Bush, a host of dignitaries and over 15,000 spectators filled the memorial plaza on this solemn occasion. The Navy Band’s selections for the day added much to the ceremony. The Navy Band and Sea Chanters combined on C. Huber Parry’s *Jerusalem*, and before the rendering of taps the band sounded a powerful rendition of Copeland’s *Fanfare for the*

1941 during the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor. The Sea Chanters, accompanied by the Honolulu Symphony, sang Carmen Dragon’s arrangement of *America the Beautiful* as part of the dedication ceremonies before a crowd of over 2,000 invited dignitaries and Pearl Harbor veterans. While mingling with guests on board the *Stennis*, the Sea Chanters had a chance to rub elbows with singers Faith

Hill and Lee Greenwood.

Back home in Washington, the Sea Chanters were once again featured with the National Symphony Orchestra at the National Memorial Day celebration on the west lawn of the U.S. Capitol. The theme of this year’s concert was centered on remembering the veterans of the attack on Pearl Harbor. In a solemn moment of remembrance to those who gave their lives on “...a date which will live in infamy,” the Sea Chanters haunting version of the Navy Hymn, *Eternal Father* visibly affected many of the Pearl Harbor survivors in attendance.

Once again the Navy Band has demonstrated the power of music and its place in important ceremonies remembering those brave heroes who gave their lives so we can continue to live with the freedoms we enjoy. *ff*



## Performance Calendar

The U.S. Navy Band and specialty groups present the following FREE concerts. Tickets or reservations are not required unless noted (\*). For more information call (202) 433-2525.

### JULY

#### NAVY BAND & SPECIALTY GROUPS

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 6:30 P.M.**  
Independence Day Celebration  
Sylvan Theatre  
Washington Monument grounds  
15th St. & Independence Ave., S.W.  
Washington, D.C.

#### SEA CHANTERS

**SUNDAY, JULY 22, 7:30 P.M.**  
Bandstand (Boardwalk area)  
Bethany Beach, Del.

**FRIDAY, JULY 27, 7 P.M.+**  
St. Mary’s College  
Waterfront (off Rte. 5)  
St. Mary’s City, Md.  
+with Chesapeake Chamber Orchestra

**SUNDAY, JULY 29, 7:30 P.M.**  
Bon Air Baptist Church  
2531 Buford Rd.  
Richmond, Va.

#### COMMODORES

**FRIDAY, JULY 6, 7 P.M.**  
The Pavilion  
Town Center  
Gaithersburg, Md.

**SUNDAY, JULY 8, 7:30 P.M.**  
Mason District Park  
6621 Columbia Pike  
Annandale, Va.

**SUNDAY, JULY 15, 7 P.M.**  
Perry Hall Middle School  
4300 Ebenezer Rd.  
Baltimore, Md.

**THURSDAY, JULY 26, 7 P.M.**  
War Memorial Park  
Martinsburg, W.Va.

**SATURDAY, JULY 28, 7:30 P.M.**  
Fountain Square  
Reston Town Center  
Reston, Va.

#### COUNTRY CURRENT

**SATURDAY, JULY 7, 7 P.M.**  
Yogi Bear’s Jellystone Park  
16519 Lappans Rd.  
Williamsport, Md.

#### COUNTRY CURRENT bluegrass quartet

**SUNDAY, JULY 8, 7 P.M.**  
Devers Hall  
Cooper & Mapes Sts.  
Ft. Meade, Md.

**FRIDAY-SATURDAY, JULY 13 & 14, TBD\***  
Mississippi Bluegrass Reunion  
Lamar County Fairgrounds  
Purvis, Miss.  
\*An admission fee will be charged to attend this festival.

**FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 20-22, TBD\***  
Darrington Bluegrass Festival  
Darrington, Wash.  
\*An admission fee will be charged to attend this festival.

#### CRUISERS

**FRIDAY, JULY 27, 7:30 P.M.**  
Bandstand (Boardwalk area)  
Bethany Beach, Del.

### AUGUST

**NAVY BAND**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 7:30 P.M.**  
Rose Tree Park  
Rte. 1 at 252  
Media, Pa.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, 8 P.M.**  
Greencastle-Antrim High School  
Kaley Field  
300 S. Ridge Ave.  
Greencastle, Pa.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 7 P.M.**  
William A. Humbert Amphitheater  
39 Hickory Ave.  
Bel Air, Md.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 7:30 P.M.**  
Springettsbury Township Athletic Complex  
1501 Mt. Zion Rd.  
York, Pa.

#### SEA CHANTERS

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 7:30 P.M.**  
Mason District Park  
6621 Columbia Pike  
Fairfax, Va.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 7 P.M.**  
William A. Humbert Amphitheater  
39 Hickory Ave.  
Bel Air, Md.

#### COMMODORES

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 7 P.M.**  
Town Centre  
Corner of Dover & Harrison Sts.  
Easton, Md.

#### COUNTRY CURRENT

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 7:30 P.M.**  
U.S. Naval Academy  
Astroturf Field  
Annapolis, Md.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 5 P.M.**  
Downs Park  
8311 John Downs Loop  
Pasadena, Md.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 8 P.M.**  
Bandstand (Boardwalk area)  
Rehoboth Beach, Del.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 7:30 P.M.**  
Fountain Square  
Reston Town Center  
Reston, Va.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 7 P.M.**  
Ocean Pines Park  
239 Ocean Pkwy.  
Berlin, Md.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 6 P.M.**

Franklin Park  
17501 Franklin Park Dr.  
Purcellville, Va.

#### CRUISERS

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 7:30 P.M.**  
U.S. Naval Academy  
Astroturf Field  
Annapolis, Md.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 7 P.M.**  
Moten Park  
Easton Pkwy.  
Easton, Md.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 7 P.M.**  
Devers Hall  
Cooper & Mapes Sts.  
Ft. Meade, Md.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 7:30 P.M.**  
Lawn Theater  
10120 Apple Ridge Rd.  
Montgomery Village, Md.

### LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER

#### NAVY BAND

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 8 P.M.**  
George Mason Middle School  
& High School  
7124 Leesburg Pike  
Falls Church, Va.

#### NAVY BAND & SEA CHANTERS

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 6 P.M.**  
Defenders’ Day  
Ft. McHenry National Monument  
& Historic Shrine  
Baltimore, Md.

#### COMMODORES

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 6:30 P.M.**  
Lake Redmon  
William Kain York County Park  
Jacobus, Pa.

#### CRUISERS

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 4 P.M.**  
Deep Creek Lake State Park  
Garrett County  
McHenry, Md.



COMMANDER’S MESSAGE



As I write this column we have just slipped into the month of June and the summer is nearly upon us. We only hope that this year will prove to be more accommodating weather-wise than last year. I’m sure that you will recall that last year’s rainy summer resulted in the cancellation of many of our performances. In fact, the Concert Band was unable to perform any of the U.S. Capitol concerts last summer. Now I believe that’s a first!

This summer, the Navy Band and its specialty groups will perform throughout the national capital region and we hope to see you at many of our concerts. After a year’s absence, units of the Navy Band will once again be performing on Thursday nights at the Sylvan Theatre on the grounds of the Washington Monument. Bring a picnic basket and enjoy the entertainment provided by the Navy Band, Cruisers, Sea Chanters, Country Current and Commodores for a special July 4th show at Sylvan Theatre with country music star Neal McCoy. Concerts will also continue at the West Steps of the U.S. Capitol on Monday nights and at the Navy Memorial on Tuesday nights. On Tuesday, July 24th the Navy Band will present this year’s version of its *Concerts on the Avenue* at the Navy Memorial. The show entitled *A Salute to America*, will feature the Navy Band, Sea Chanters and Cruisers. The show will trace the history of our country through music and should prove to be an entertaining evening for all. Five shows will follow during July and August. Please don’t miss it.

Recently, we said goodbye to a truly outstanding Master Chief Musician, friend and remarkable person. MUCM Gretchen Ellrod departed the Navy Band for the sunny shores of Florida where she will live with her husband, soon to retire, Senior Chief Musician Jeff Ellrod and son Keegan. We will all miss her presence in our organization and in our lives. We wish her and the family the very best as they begin their new lives together.

I appreciate your continued support of The United States Navy Band and wish each of you a happy and enjoyable summer.

Ralph M. Gambone, Commander, USN  
Officer in Charge/Leader

NOTABLE QUOTES

*“On behalf of the Navy League of the United States, I would like to express my deepest, most sincere thanks for your participation at our Sea-Air-Space Exposition. The band played with a patriotic brilliance that comes only from the Navy Band.”*

John R. Fisher  
Rear Admiral, USN (Ret.)

*“I want to express how much I enjoyed the Navy Band concert last evening. As ambassadors of music on tour, these men and women beautifully represented the epitome of talent and professionalism. The Navy must take enormous pride in having such a gifted group musically entertain America and showcase such extraordinary skill.”*

Gladys Sommerville  
Keene, N.H.

FEATURES/CONCERT HIGHLIGHTS

# LOOKING BACK... FORMER LEADERS

continued

At the conclusion of Capt. Joseph Phillips’ second term as Officer in Charge/Leader of The United States Navy Band, he retired with 38 years of service in June 1995, and Lieutenant Commander John R. Pastin became the 10th leader of the Navy Band.

Lt. Cmdr. Pastin, a native of McKees Rocks, Pa., one of the Navy’s premier musicians and goodwill ambassadors for over 28 years, reported as Officer in Charge/Leader after a successful tour as director of the Navy band in Orlando, Fla. Lt. Cmdr. Pastin’s Navy career began in 1968 as a woodwind instrumentalist with Navy bands in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and Seattle, Wash., as well as a featured soloist with the Naval Academy Band in Annapolis, Md. As director of the Atlantic Fleet Showband, he made numerous successful tours of West Africa and South America.

He also served as Director of the Rehearsal Division and Jazz Studies at the Armed Forces School of Music in Little Creek, Va.

Following his commission as warrant officer in 1982 he was appointed Leader of the multi-national, multi-service NATO band in Naples, Italy. His next assignment was as Leader of Navy Band New Orleans, where one of his units was the U.S. Navy Steel Band.



Lt. Cmdr. John R. Pastin  
1995-1998

Subsequently, Lt. Cmdr. Pastin served as Administrative Officer and Assistant Leader of The United States Navy Band and Staff Officer of the Chief of Information before earning a master’s degree in conducting from Northwestern University where he studied with the renowned conductor, John Paynter.



Lt. Cmdr. John R. Pastin conducts the Navy Band at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

The mid-nineties continued to open more and varied opportunities for the Navy Band. It was under Lt. Cmdr. Pastin’s leadership that the Navy Band performed a debut concert at New York City’s famed Carnegie Hall in 1996. The band was featured at the 50th Anniversary Concert of the Mid-West International Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, with special guest conductor and composer, Karel Husa. The Navy Band also made an unprecedented appearance at the 300th Anniversary of the Russian Fleet in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Lt. Cmdr. Pastin retired in August 1998 after 30 years of service and is now the Director of Bands at Rowan University in Glassboro, N.J. He was succeeded by the present and 11th officer to lead the Navy Band, Commander Ralph M. Gambone. *ff*

CONGRATULATIONS AND FAREWELL TO...

**Master Chief Musician M. Gretchen Ellrod**, unit leader and alto vocalist with the Sea Chanters chorus, who received the Meritorious Service Medal on the occasion of her retirement after 20 years of service.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

**Chief Musician Timothy E. Roberts**, saxophonist with the Navy Band, on his selection as “Chief of the Quarter”...and to **Musician First Class Michael P. Bayes**, saxophonist with the Navy Band on his selection as “Sailor of the Quarter” for the period January-March 2001.

**Senior Chief Musician John R. Bury**; and **Chief Musicians Nikki J. Hecker, Stephanie A. Rowland**, and **Alison A. Turk** on receiving the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal...and to **Chief Musicians Thomas M. Palance and Earl E. Powers**; and **Musicians First Class Michael P. Bayes, Laura D. Grantier, Patrick L. Johnson**, and **Linda F. Teasley** on receiving the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

WELCOME ABOARD TO...

**Musician First Class Shana E. Catandella**, clarinetist with the Navy Band.

SPOTLIGHT ON...

The Navy Music Program is quite unique in the sense that we choose our future leaders from within our own enlisted ranks. Our musical leaders have grown in the organization and can better serve having “been there.” Our newest junior officer, **Ensign Bruce A. McDonald** is proof of the success of this long-standing tradition. Originally serving as a trombonist with the U.S. Naval Academy Band in Annapolis, Md., Ens. McDonald felt a calling to serve in a different capacity and presently serves as the Concert/Ceremonial Band Department Head and Administrative Officer for The United States Navy Band in Washington, D.C.

**background...**I was born and raised in Rapid City, S.D. During my college years I attended Indiana University, Arizona State University, The Mannes College of Music in New York City, and received my bachelor’s degree from the State University of New York (Albany) in 1994. My primary instrument is trombone and during my college training I was fortunate to study with M. Dee Stewart (Philadelphia Orchestra), Gail Wilson (Phoenix Symphony) and Joseph Alessi (New York Philharmonic).

I entered the Navy in May of 1989, reporting to Great Lakes, Ill. for basic training. From there I was assigned to the Naval Academy Band, first serving as trombonist in the “Electric Brigade” rock ensemble and from 1994 until 1998 as principal trombonist with the Wind Ensemble. I then requested transfer to the Navy Fleet Music Program, leaving the Naval Academy Band in December of 1998. From January to June of 1999 I attended the Ceremonial Conductor/Drum Major course at the Armed Forces School of Music in Little Creek, Va. followed immediately by the Enlisted Bandleader/Assistant Director course from July to December of the same year, graduating first in my class in both courses. Next, I was assigned to the ATLANTIC Fleet Band in Norfolk, Va., where I served until my commissioning on October 1, 2000. After graduating first in my class from Limited Duty Officer/Chief Warrant Officer indoctrination in Pensacola, Fla., I reported to the Navy Band in December 2000.

Openings

The United States Navy Band announces auditions for the following vacancies:

SEA CHANTERS CHORUS

Soprano	By Appointment
Alto (2)	By Appointment
Tenor	By Appointment
Bass	By Appointment

CRUISERS ROCK ENSEMBLE

Tenor or Alto Saxophone	By Appointment
(with background vocals)	
Drum Set	By Appointment
(with background vocals)	
Keyboard Instrumentalist	By Appointment
(with background vocals)	

STAFF

Facilities Engineer	By Appointment
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For more information call: Master Chief Musician Diana Ogilvie, Audition Supervisor at (202) 433-2840. Or email: [auditions@navyband.navy.mil](mailto:auditions@navyband.navy.mil).



**on becoming an officer and leaving the enlisted ranks...**Although commissioning was something I hoped to accomplish, it was not the reason I left the Naval Academy Band for the fleet. I was looking for more variety of duty and duty stations. In particular, I wanted to conduct, in any capacity, and to me, the fleet presented the most opportunity. Additionally, I’ve always had the wanderlust for travel and the prospect of frequent changes in duty stations fit that need perfectly. As a trombonist there was certainly room for growth, but after 25 years of playing I really felt the need to go in a new direction. Ultimately, I most enjoy being a part of the day-to-day operations of a military band, hopefully making a positive and lasting difference.

**hobbies...**With three children, my favorite thing to do is sleep! Once my college major and now my hobby, I enjoy astronomy. In particular, I have built two telescopes, having ground the optics for both, and relish that rare opportunity when I am far away from city lights and able to push the equipment and my eyes to their visual limits. I also enjoy running and photography, still using the Pentax I bought over 20 years ago. My neighbor and I are both training to run our first marathon in October. Wish me luck.

**currently listening to...**I’m listening to music, but not on CDs. Viva la vinyl! Current listening favorites include the Brahms’ horn trio, the best of J.J. Johnson, and Tower of Power’s *Back to Oakland*.

Visit us on the web at [www.navyband.navy.mil](http://www.navyband.navy.mil)

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